PART III: IMPLEMENTATION SCHEDULE

The following table is a summary of actions and estimated costs for implementing the Ouachita rock pocketbook recovery plan. It is a guide for meeting the objectives discussed in Part II of this plan. This table indicates task priorities, task numbers, task descriptions, duration of tasks, responsible parties, and lastly, estimated costs. These tasks, when accomplished, should bring about the recovery of the species and protect its habitat. The estimated monetary needs for all parties involved in recovery are identified and, therefore, Part III reflects the total estimated financial requirements for the recovery of this species.

Key to priorities assigned in the Implementation Schedule (column 1)

- 1. Priority 1 An action that <u>must</u> be taken to prevent extinction or to prevent the species from declining irreversibly in the foreseeable future.
- 2. Priority 2 An action that must be taken to prevent a significant decline in species population, habitat quality, or some other significant negative impact short of extinction.
- 3. Priority 3 All other actions necessary to meet recovery objectives.

Key to acronyms used in the Implementation Schedule

FWS Regions: 2 - Albuquerque (Southwest), 4 - Atlanta (Southeast)

Federal Agencies

CE - U.S. Army Corps of Engineers

EPA - U.S. Environmental Protection Agency

FERC - Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

FHWA - Federal Highway Administration

FS - U.S. Forest Service

FWS - U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service

EA - FWS External Affairs

ES - FWS Ecological Services

LE - FWS Law Enforcement

RE - FWS Realty

RS - FWS Refuges

WR - FWS Water Resources

USDA - U.S. Department of Agriculture

State Agencies

ADE - Arkansas Department of Ecology

ADPT - Arkansas Department of Parks and Tourism

AGFC - Arkansas Game and Fish Commission

AHTD - Arkansas Highway and Transportation Department

OCONS - Oklahoma Conservation Commission

ODEQ - Oklahoma Department of Environmental Quality

ODM - Oklahoma Department of Mines

ODT - Oklahoma Department of Transportation

ODWC - Oklahoma Department of Wildlife Conservation

ONHI - Oklahoma Natural Heritage Inventory

OSDA - Oklahoma State Department of Agriculture

OTRD - Oklahoma Tourism and Recreation Department

OWRB - Oklahoma Water Resources Board

TCEQ - Texas Commission on Environmental Quality

TPWD - Texas Parks and Wildlife Department

TxDOT - Texas Department of Transportation

Private Entities

AZAA - American Zoo and Aquarium Association

Contr - Contractor (unspecified)

HTRG - Hancock Timber Resource Group

TNC - The Nature Conservancy

WEYCO - Weyerhaeuser Company

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| | Number | | | Region | Program | | FY1 | FY2 | FY3 | Comments |
| 1 | 1.1 | Use existing statutes to protect the Kiamichi River system where the Ouachita rock pocketbook occurs | Continuous | 2 | ES LE | CE EPA FERC FHWA FS USDA ODWC ODEQ ODM OSDA | 3 1 3 2 1 2 2 2 2 2 1 1 1 | 3 1 3 2 1 2 2 2 2 2 1 1 1 | 3 1 3 2 1 2 2 2 2 2 1 1 1 | |
| 1 | 1.21 | Deauthorize Tuskahoma Reservoir | 10 years | 2 | ES | CE | TBD | TBD | TBD | Requires Congressional action |
| 1 | 1.31 | Develop and implement monitoring of the Kiamichi River population and its habitat | 3-year intervals | 2 | ES | ODWC ONHI | 10 5 5 | 0 0 0 | 0 0 0 | |

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| 1 | 1.32 | Develop and implement monitoring of current and potential threats to the Kiamichi River population | Continuous | 2 | ES | CE EPA FS OCONS ODEQ ODM ODWC OSDA | 4 4 3 3 3 3 3 3 3 | 4 4 4 2 3 3 1 2 2 | 4 4 2 3 3 1 2 2 | |
| 1 | 4.1 | Determine and protect the fish host(s) and its (their) habitat | 3 years | 2,4 | ES | AGFC ODWC Contr | 30 5 5 | 30 5 5 | 30 5 5 | Dependent upon determining timing of glochidial release |
| 1 | 4.2 | Determine sex ratio among Ouachita rock pocketbook, ages at which they produce gametes, and seasonal timing of reproduction | 2 years | 2,4 | ES | AGFC ODWC Contr | 44 8 8 | 4 4 8 8 | 0 0 0 | Initial estimates supplemented by data collected through continuing tasks |
| 1 | 5.2 | Determine habitat and early life history of juvenile Ouachita rock pocketbooks | 3 years | 2 | ES | ODWC ONHI | 20 5 5 | 20 5 5 | 20 5 5 | |

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| 1 | 5.3 | Determine environmental sensitivities of the Ouachita rock pocketbook | 5 years | 2 | ES WR | CE EPA FS ODWC Contr | 15 10 30 30 10 5 | 15 10 30 30 10 5 | 15 10 30 30 10 5 | |
| 2 | 1.22 | Determine value of major tributaries as habitat for the Kiamichi River population | 1 year | 2 | ES | ODWC ONHI HTRG | 2 2 2 2 | 0 0 0 | 0 0 0 0 | |
| 2 | 1.23 | Perform cooperative projects to increase habitat protection in the Kiamichi River | Continuous | 2 | ES | CE EPA FHWA FS USDA OCONS ODT ODWC OSDA | 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 | 5 2 4 2 2 2 4 1 1 2 2 | 5 2 4 2 2 2 4 1 1 2 2 2 | |
| 2 | 1.24 | Upgrade protection of Kiamichi River through water quality standards and water quality management programs | 10 years | 2 | ES | EPA FS OCONS ODEQ ODWC ODSA OWRB | 2 2 1 1 1 1 1 1 | 4 4 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 | 4 4 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 | |

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| | Number | | | Region | Program | | FY1 | FY2 | FY3 | Comments |
| 2 | 2.1 | Conduct a survey of the Little River in Arkansas and Oklahoma for existing populations | 1 year | 2,4 | ES RS | CE FS AGFC ODWC Contr | 3 1 2 2 2 2 2 | 0 0 0 0 0 | 0 0 0 0 0 | |
| 2 | 2.2 | Conduct surveys of the Ouachita River in Arkansas for existing populations | 2 years | 2,4 | ES | CE FS AGFC Contr | 4 3 2 3 | 4 3 2 3 | 0 0 0 0 | |
| 2 | 2.3 | Conduct surveys of other Red River tributaries in Oklahoma, Texas and Arkansas for existing populations | 1 year | 2,4 | ES | AGFC ODWC TPWD Contr | 4 2 2 2 2 | 0 0 0 0 | 0 0 0 0 | |

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| | Number | | | Region | Program | | FY1 | FY2 | FY3 | Comments |
| 2 | 3.1 | Use existing statutes to restore and protect habitat for the Ouachita rock pocketbook outside of the Kiamichi River | Continuous | 2,4 | ES LE RS | CE EPA FERC FHWA FS USDA ADE AGFC ODEQ ODM ODWC OSDA TCEQ TPWD | 6 2 2 6 4 2 4 4 4 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 | 6 2 2 6 4 2 4 4 4 4 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 | 6 2 2 6 4 2 4 4 4 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 | |
| 2 | 3.21 | Deauthorize unimplemented channel modifications of the Ouachita River | 10 years | 2,4 | ES | CE | TBD | TBD | TBD | Deauthoriza- tion requires Congressional action |

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| | Number | | | Region | Program | | FY1 | FY2 | FY3 | Comments |
| 2 | 3.22 | Develop and implement cooperative projects to increase restoration and protection of degraded habitat and populations outside of the Kiamichi River | Continuous | 2,4 | ES RS | CE EPA FHWA FS USDA AGFC AHTD OCONS OGT ODWC OSDA TPWD TxDOT | 6 4 4 8 4 4 8 4 2 2 2 2 4 2 4 2 | 6 4 4 8 4 4 8 4 2 2 2 2 4 2 4 2 | 6 4 4 8 4 4 8 4 2 2 2 2 4 2 4 2 | |
| 2 | 3.23 | Upgrade protection of degraded habitat areas outside of the Kiamichi River through water quality standards and water quality management programs | 10 years | 2,4 | ES | EPA FS ADE AGFC OCONS ODEQ ODWC OSDA OWRB TCEQ TPWD | 5 4 2 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 | 10 8 4 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 | 10 8 4 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 | Coordinate with Tasks 1.24 and 5 |

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| 2 | 3.3 | Institute a monitoring program for degraded populations and habitat outside of the Kiamichi River | Continuous | 2,4 | ES RS | CE EPA FS ADE AGFC OCONS ODEQ ODM ODWC ONHI OSDA TCEQ TPWD | 7 2 4 4 3 3 3 3 3 3 3 3 3 3 3 3 3 3 3 3 3 | 7 2 4 4 3 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 | 7 2 4 4 3 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 | Biological monitoring at 3-year intervals |
| 2 | 5.1 | Determine habitat use of populations outside of the Kiamichi River | 3 years | 2,4 | ES | AGFC ODWC ONHI TPWD | 0 0 0 0 | 8 4 2 2 4 | 8 4 2 2 4 | |
| 3 | 1.251 | Inventory property ownerships and water rights appropriations along the Kiamichi River | 2 years | 2 | ES RE | ODWC ONHI HTRG | 2 1 1 1 1 | 2 1 1 1 | 0 0 0 0 | |
| 3 | 1.252 | Ensure public landowner notification | 1 year | 2 | ES | ODWC | 0 | 1 | 0 | |

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| 3 | 1.253 | Ensure private landowner notification | 1 year | 2 | ES | ODWC | 0 | 2 | 0 | |
| 3 | 1.254 | Manage response to identified threats to the Kiamichi River population | Continuous | 2 | ES | CE FS OCONS ODEQ ODM ODWC OSDA | 1 1 1 1 0 0 | 1 0 0 0 1 0 0 | 1 0 0 0 1 0 0 | |
| 3 | 1.255 | Develop protection approaches for specific Kiamichi River properties | Continuous | 2 | ES LE RE RS | CE FHWA FS USDA OCONS ODWC ONHI HTRG | 12 1 1 4 3 3 3 2 5 3 2 | 12 1 1 4 3 3 3 2 5 3 | 12 1 1 4 3 3 3 2 5 3 2 | |
| 3 | 1.256 | Integrate initial protections into a habitat protection plan for the Kiamichi River population | 3 years | 2 | ES | ODWC | 5 | 5 5 | 5 5 | |

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| 3 | 2.4 | Determine if any populations outside of the Kiamichi River are viable | 2 years | 2,4 | ES | AGFC ODWC TPWD Contr | 6 2 2 2 | 6 2 2 2 | 0 0 0 0 | Initial assessment to be revised, based on completion of Task 6.2 and cumulative monitoring data |
| 3 | 6.1 | Determine comparative genetic composition of extant populations | 2 years | 2,4 | ES | AGFC ODWC TPWD Contr | 9 2 2 2 | 9 2 2 2 | 0 0 0 | |
| 3 | 6.2 | Determine factors limiting population growth, and refine characterization of population viability for the species | 2 years | 2,4 | ES | AGFC ODWC TPWD Contr | 0 0 0 0 | 0 0 0 | 0 0 0 0 | Dependent upon results from Tasks 2,4,5 and 6.1; start estimated in year 5 of recovery program |
| 3 | 7.1 | Develop techniques for successful transplantation | 3 years | 2,4 | ES | AGFC ODWC TPWD Contr | 16 8 8 8 | 16 8 8 8 | 16 8 8 8 | Prerequisite to Tasks 7.2, 7.3, 7.4 |

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| 3 | 7.2 | Select stream sites for introduction | 1 year | 2,4 | ES | AGFC ODWC TPWD | 0 0 0 | 0 0 0 | 0 0 0 | Start estimated in year 4 |
| 3 | 7.3 | Translocate Ouachita rock pocketbooks into two populations outside of the Kiamichi River population | 1 year | 2,4 | ES | AGFC ODWC TPWD | 0 0 0 | 0 0 0 | 0 0 0 | Start estimated in year 5 |
| 3 | 7.4 | Protect transplanted populations and evaluate success | Continuous | 2,4 | ES LE | CE EPA FHWA FS USDA ADE AGFC ODEQ ODWC TCEQ TPWD | 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 | 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 | 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 | Start estimated in year 5. With success in second year, incorporate continued protection into Task 3 |
| 3 | 8 | Develop an outreach program | 2 years to develop, then continuous | 2,4 | ES EA | AGFC ADPT ODWC OTRD TPWD | 4 4 3 3 3 3 5 | 4 4 3 3 3 3 3 5 | 1 1 0 0 0 0 0 | |

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| 3 | 9.1 | Improve coodination of monitoring and research activities with management activities | Continuous | 2,4 | ES | CE EPA FS ADE AGFC OCONS ODEQ ODWC ONHI TCEQ TPWD | 4 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 | 4 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 | 4 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 | |
| 3 | 9.2 | Better correlate basin conditions and human activities with habitat conditions | 5 years | 2,4 | ES WR | CE EPA FS ADE AGFC OCONS ODEQ ODWC OSDA TCEQ TPWD | 3 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 | 6 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 | 6 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 | |

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| | Number | | | Region | Program | | FY1 | FY2 | FY3 | Comments |
| 3 | 9.3 | Better indicate and implement appropriate treatments and responses for identified threats/sources of degradation | 5 years | 2,4 | ES | CE EPA FHWA FS ADE AGFC OCONS ODEQ ODM ODWC OSDA TCEQ TPWD WEYCO | 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 | 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 | 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 | |
| 3 | 9.4 | Develop expanded habitat restoration-protection plan for all areas inhabited by the Ouachita rock pocketbook | 3 years | 2,4 | ES LE RE RS | CE FHWA FS USDA AGFC OCONS ODEQ ODM ODWC OSDA TPWD ONHI | 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 | 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 | 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 | Start estimated in year 5 |

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| 3 | 9.5 | Develop enhanced notification and consultation procedures | 5 years | 2,4 | ES | CE EPA FERC FHWA FS USDA | 4 0 0 0 0 0 0 | 4 0 0 0 0 0 0 | 4 0 0 0 0 0 | |
| 3 | 9.61 | Develop necessary resources for captive propogation of the Ouachita rock pocketbook | 3 years to develop, then indefinite | 2,4 | ES | AGFC ODWC TPWD AZAA Contr | 80 25 25 25 25 25 | 80 25 25 25 25 25 | 80 25 25 25 25 25 | |
| 3 | 9.62 | Perform cryogenic preservation for the Ouachita rock pocketbook | 1 year to establish, then continuous | 2,4 | ES | AGFC ODWC TPWD AZAA Contr | 0 0 0 0 | 10 5 5 5 | 2 0 0 0 | |

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| 3 | 9.71 | Establish and permanently protect viable populations in all four stream systems historically inhabited by the Ouachita rock pocketbook | 3 years to establish, then continuous | 2,4 | ES | CE EPA FHWA FS USDA ADE AGFC ODEQ ODWC TCEQ TPWD | TBD | TBD | TBD | Timing and cost to be determined |
| 3 | 9.72 | Refine delisting criterion, and provide any corresponding measures needed to support delisting of the Ouachita rock pocketbook | Continuous | 2,4 | ES | AGFC ODWC TPWD | TBD | TBD | TBD | Timing and cost to be determined |